

## CHAPTER XIX

### ROOSEVELT AND ROYALTIES—CONCLUDED\*

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SOME letters which passed between the President and  
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Kaiser in the spring of 1908 are interesting as  
revealing'  
their views in regard to the world voyage of the  
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*(Original sent in the President's handwriting)*

April 4, 1908.

*My dear Emperor William:*

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In the first place I wish to assure your Majesty  
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deeply, as President of the American people, I feel  
and  
appreciate the admirable work you have done in  
promoting  
friendship between Germany and the United States.  
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know well how the natural prejudices of an old,  
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tive nation would tend to make it indifferent to  
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ship of a nation of the New World; would tend  
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think that Europe was the world. I attribute  
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stantly growing feeling of good-will between the  
two  
nations  
more to your own influence than to anything  
else.  
Your  
Majesty's Ambassador to th\*e United States  
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been  
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liarly fortunate in the impression that he  
has  
had  
upon  
our people; and I very deeply appreciate the  
evident  
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sonal courtesy to me, and the thoughtfulness  
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you in appointing him.

Let me again express to Your Majesty my appreciation of your constant friendliness toward the United States. It

has been a very real pleasure to me to be able so often to cooperate with you and to second your efforts. This reminds me to say that the Chinese Minister, although he has been here for some little time, has made no motion

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